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Maine Prescription Drug Affordability Board
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Maine Prescription Drug Affordability Board
Tuesday February 22, 2022 @ 10:30 am
Microsoft TEAMS Meeting

Board members in attendance: Peter Hayes, Dr. Noah Nesin, Dr. Julia Redding, Rhonda Selvin
(Total = 4)

Board members absent: Kenneth McCall III (Mac), Jennifer Reck, Dr. Susan Wehry
(Council seat 1 vacant)

Others Present:

Advisory Council: Kate Ende, Jonathan French, Kristy Gould, Jennifer Kent, Christina Moylan, Rob Nadeau, Heather Perreault, AnneMarie Toderico

Employee Health & Wellness: Lilianne Ford, Roberta Leonard, Shonna Poulin-Gutierrez

All Others: Nicholas Doherty, Matthew Guilbault

Agenda Item	Discussion;	Action/Next Steps
I. Call to Order (10:37 am)	Dr. Nesin called the meeting to order.	
II. Introductions		
III. Approval of the Minutes (January 25, 2022)		Dr. Julia Redding made motion to accept the amended meeting minutes Peter Hayes seconded the motion. Motion passed.
IV. Monthly Business		
a. MPDAB Report – Dr. Noah Nesin	Information contained in written reports; highlights and discussion noted below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendations to Reduce Prescription Drug Spending final report was discussed. Whether a person is insured or not, the high cost of drugs is a serious threat to the health of individuals and families across Maine. • Recommendation 1: Check your plan for wasteful drugs to create a waste-free formulary. • Recommendation 2: Utilize transparent pass-through PBM contract terms. 	Dr. Nesin made a motion to approve the amended report. Robert Nadeau made a motion to accept the changes. Dr. Julia Redding seconded the motion. None opposed; motion passed.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommendation 3: Explore implementing a reverse auction PBM procurement model. <p>Legislative Strategies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Institute international reference rates, prohibit price gouging, and penalize unsupported price increases. <p>Spending Target for Prescription Drugs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MPDAB is responsible for developing spending targets for prescription drugs purchased by Maine public payers. The Board will reach out to the Executive Director of the new Office of Affordable Health Care to enable the Board to determine the spending target by December 31, 2022. To meet this goal, the Board will need staffing to support data synthesis and analysis. 	
b. Bylaws – Dr. Noah Nesin	<p>Discussion highlights below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Bylaws have been created yet. Will continue to stay on the agenda. 	
V. Other Business		
a. Remote Public Proceedings Policy – Heather Perreault	<p>Discussion highlights below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>The Remote Public Meetings Policy</u>: This policy provides consistency among other committees and enables Boards to conduct remote meetings. The final drafted policy was presented to the Board members to approve. 	Dr. Nesin made a motion to approve this policy. Peter Hayes made a motion to approve the policy and Rhonda Selvin seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken; all voted in favor of this policy.
a. The Office of Affordable Healthcare – Heather Perreault	<p>Discussion highlights below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No update noted 	
b. Open Discussion	<p>Discussion highlights below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alan Cobo-Lewis, Ph.D is planning to present at the March 22, 2022 Board meeting regarding QALY methods. 	Peter Hayes, Jennifer Reck, and Kenneth McCall III will meet to collaborate on a draft request to the Office of Affordable Health Care for resources to develop spending targets.
VI. Adjourn (11:20 am)		Peter Hayes made motion to adjourn; Dr. Julia Redding seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: March 22, 2022